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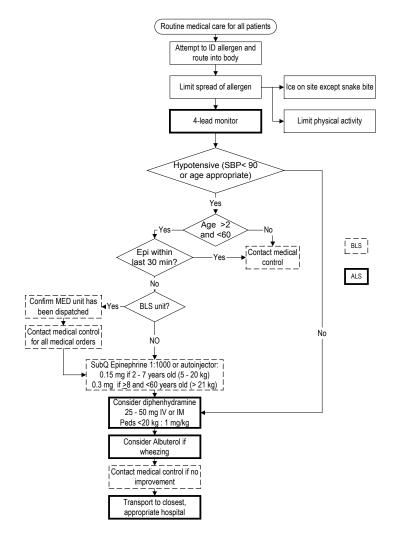
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## MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS MEDICAL PROTOCOL ALLERGIC REACTION

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History:	Signs/Symptoms:	Working Assessment:
Known allergy	Hives, itching, flushing	Anaphylaxis
New medication	Anxiety, restlessness	Asthma
Insect sting/bite	Shortness of breath, wheezing, stridor	Shock
History of allergic reactions	Chest tightness	
Listen for history of:	Hypotension/shock	
Hypertension, coronary artery	Swelling/edema	
disease or current pregnancy		



## Notes:

- IV fluid resuscitation should be initiated for all hypotensive patients.
- There are NO absolute contraindications to epinephrine administration in life-threatening emergencies.
   Consult on-line medical control.
- BLS units must confirm that a MED unit is en route before contacting medical control for administration of medication(s).
- A physician's order is required for BLS units before administration of epinephrine.
- A MED unit must transport any patient receiving epinephrine (self- or EMS-administered) or diphenhydramine.